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## State Board Throws Its Weight Behind Co-op Goal

The State Convention Board, in annual session last week, threw its entire weight of influence behind our efforts to reach our Cooperative Program goal this Convention year, it has been revealed by Rev. J. R. Davis, New Albany, president.

The 75 Board members themselves readily re-emphasized the importance of reaching the goal of \$1,500,000 an enthusiastically adopted a plan which called for them personally to take the lead in their associations in definite efforts to reach the objective.

Although this year's goal is comparatively higher than any previous goal in our history, we should and can reach it, Board members were quoted as believing.

The definite plan adopted, submitted by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, call for each Board member to call a meeting of a special committee in his association, composed of himself the Moderator, Stewardship Chairman and Missionary, and make definite plans to enlist the churches that have not given anything thus far and offer every church an opportunity to make a supplementary Cooperative Program offering.

The action of the Board itself is more evidence that Mississippi Baptists are more than ever determined to reach the ambitious but worthy goal they set for themselves this year.

## A Catechism Of Bible Teaching

By DR. JOHN A. BROADUS  
Lesson VI. The Holy Spirit And The Trinity.

1. Who is the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God, and is called the third person in the Trinity.

2. What did the Holy Spirit do for the prophets and apostles? The Holy Spirit inspired the prophets and apostles to teach men their duty to God and to each other.

3. What did the Holy Spirit do for all the writers of the Bible? The Holy Spirit inspired them to write just what God wished to be written.

4. Did the Holy Spirit dwell also in Jesus Christ? Yes, the Holy Spirit was given to Jesus without measure. Luke 4:1; John 2:34.

5. When Jesus ascended to heaven, what did he send the Holy Spirit to do? Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to take his place and carry on his work among men. John 14:16,17.

6. What does the Holy Spirit do as to the world? The Holy Spirit convicts the world of its sin and its need of Christ's salvation. John 16:8.

7. What work does the Holy Spirit  
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## What The School Of Stewardship Last Year Meant To My Church

BY TITUS ALDRIDGE

Pastor Palm Ceia Church  
Tampa, Florida

God Wants Churches today that are:  
Wise in their Stewardship Pro-

grams. If you are wise you will plan a school of stewardship this fall.

Attentive to the needs of a total church program. Give through the Cooperative Program. Don't be

sidetracked by special appeals.

N-neighborly in her stewardship policies. We cannot be neighborly to those who need by choosing one and placing all our gifts on that one. Follow our adopted plan. The Cooperative Program.

Trustworthy Treasurers. Many of our churches vote to send so much and the treasurers hold this amount and never send it.

Effective in their teaching program of this great stewardship business.

Dedicated to the purpose of teaching all our people the true meaning of stewardship.

To me the finest thing we have done in our churches to help the membership to better understand the meaning of this doctrine was started last fall when we studied these prepared books, new books, on stewardship. The Adults studied *Found Faithful*, by Moore; the Young People Good Stewards, by Dillard; Intermediates Partners with God, by Terry; Juniors The Talking Penny, by Van Ness; and the Primaries Bonnie Baptist and the Sunbeams, by Milne.

Our church joined with many others throughout the Convention in the study of these great books. We had a fine enrollment and excellent attendance for the week of October 24-28. The results? Only eternity can tell all the results.  
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## Concerning "Divine Healing"

A live, religious topic of the day concerns what is called "faith healing" or "divine healing." On the radio one can hear the program of a man who claims healing-power announce, "God's man of faith and power is on the air!"

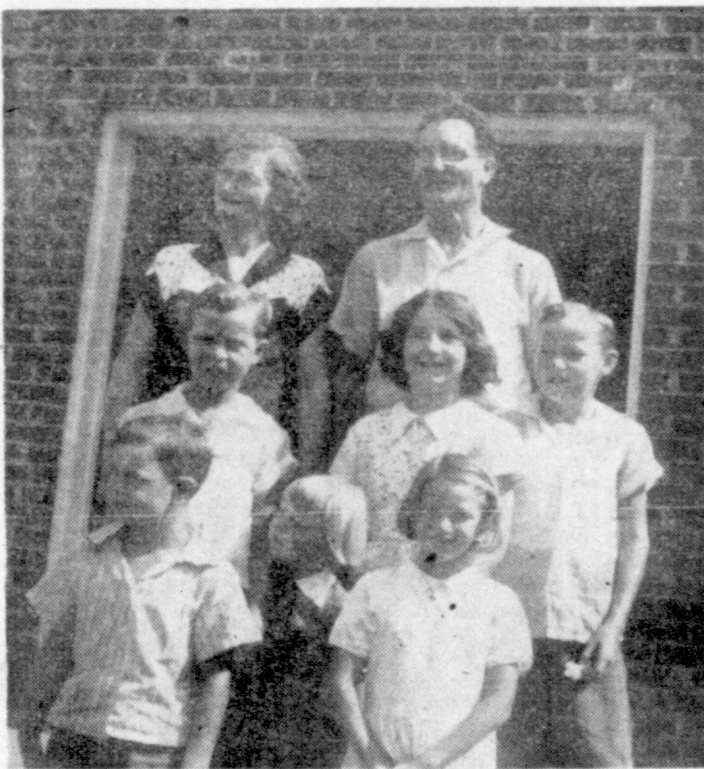
Countering with challenge, a certain group that does not believe in such things offers \$1,000 for bone fide proof of a single case of healing. Thus, pro and con, the controversy continues. And where it will stop, nobody knows.

That there is racketeering in this field is beyond question. Unponsored by any local organization, a troupe of "revivalists," with sensational technique, moves in prepared to catch for their own profit the unwary seekers of religious thrills in large crowds. A major emphasis with these smoothmovers

is that of healing ailing bodies. They grab the fancy of borderliners, a church fringe element, and these "shell out" liberally under the spell of hypnosis, although they do not go or give to their local churches. This is a religion of the diseased mind, promoted primarily and professionally for personal profit. Sometimes, such a team of purse-pickers will blow out of town as suddenly as they blew in, leaving unpaid bills of various kinds.

"Divine healing," as headlined by "revivalists" of this caliber becomes distasteful to a large segment of church people. They claim that God does not heal bodily ailments today. Now, to claim that God cannot and does not now do so is going a bit too far. Who is a  
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## FAMILY OF EIGHT SETS UNUSUAL RECORD



Shown above are a family of eight members, seven of whom are members of Trinity Church, Vicksburg. They are Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Diffey, Charles, 14; William, 11; Barbara, 10; Donald Ray, 9; Delma, 7; and Mary, 5. For an entire year the whole family, with the exception of William, has attended every regular service of Trinity Church—Sunday School, morning worship, Training Union, Wednesday night prayer meeting service, and Family Night on Friday night. (The two weeks that William was absent he attended church in another town.)

Rev. Paul O. Lee is the pastor at Trinity.

## MISSIONARIES-FOR-A-DAY

By Elmer S. West, Jr.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Elmer S. West, Jr., secretary for missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board now traveling in the Orient, relates an experience in the Philippines.

We arrived in the Philippines Sunday night, and then left the airport at Manila at 7:30 Monday morning for Davao City, on the island of Mindanao, 700 miles south.

We ate lunch with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Solesbee and left immediately for a two-day trip in the country to attend a meeting held for the purpose of discussing the formation of a district association. It was only 98 miles but it took five hours. There were seven of us — Missionaries Solesbee, Ted O. Badger, Walter T. Huft, S. Clyde Jowers, Mr. Riquillo, the interpreter, Dr. W. Peyton Thurman, my traveling companion, and me.

The experience gave us a view of missions at the grass roots which was as thrilling as it was strenuous.

Waiting for us when we arrived at 8:30 p. m. were three pastors and two chosen messengers from each of the five churches. They rang the church bell and within 30 minutes 200 people from the

little village of Carmen were there for the service. Other messengers were not to arrive until the next day.

How these people love their church! It has three lanterns for light, a dirt floor, crude benches, no windows and doors, only openings; but it is their church, and no member of the finest church in America could love God's house more than these happy Christians love theirs.

And how they could sing! They had no musical instrument, but there was a talented leader who sang an introduction before they all joined in on the first verse. Missionary Badger preached a warm evangelistic sermon and many came forward at the close of the service.

We slept in the pastor's home on camp cots and the floor. Although it is only 300 miles from the equator, the nights are quite cool for it is now fall of the year in Mindanao.

Because some of the visitors were arriving we got to sleep late; nevertheless about 4:45 a. m. our Filipino brethren began their customary morning devotions!

We awakened to the strains of  
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## "Typical" Southern Baptist Church

Had 266 members before last Sunday.

Unfortunately, 83 of the 266 were non-resident members. They, in all probability, are not attending any church and are not assisting in the work of the church to which they belong.

Last Sunday, however, a new member was received on profession of faith. He was baptized into the fellowship of the church last Sunday night, thus bringing the total membership to 267.

It had been four or five weeks since the last candidate for baptism had made a profession of faith.

Organizational, the "typical" Southern Baptist church has a Sunday school, may have Training Union and Woman's Missionary Union organizations, but probably does not have a Brotherhood. If it does have a Brotherhood, three neighboring churches do not.

"TYPICAL" CHURCH MEMBER'S WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

To foreign missions (through the  
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### What The School

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The visible results were: The Budget Committee for the year 1954 recommended to the church after the school that we raise our gifts to the Cooperative Program 5 per cent for this year, bringing the total gifts to the Cooperative Program to 25 per cent of the gifts. This church is in a great building program too. At the time the Budget Committee was meeting we were at the point of organizing a Negro mission into a Baptist church and provided a church building for that purpose. The church was organized on Easter Sunday. This Budget Committee brought forth a budget a third more than the year before and the church was ready to adopt it because they had been prepared through this week of concentrated study.

Another result of the school of stewardship was the development of workers for all departments of our work. A number of new tithers were enlisted and the final plans of the new educational building were approved.

From the school we had learned that we could do the job if we did our part in giving of the tithe and the offerings through the storehouse.

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### A Catechism Of

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perform in making men Christians? The Holy Spirit gives men a new heart, to turn from sin and trust in Christ. John 3:5; Ezek. 36:26.

8. How does the Holy Spirit continue this work? The Holy Spirit helps those who trust in Christ to become holy in heart and life. Gal 5:22; I Cor. 3:16.

9. Is the Holy Spirit himself divine? Yes, the Holy Spirit is God. Acts 5:3,4.

10. If the Father is God, and the Saviour is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, are there three Gods? No, there are not three Gods; God is one. Deut. 6:4; Mark 12:29.

11. What then do we mean by the doctrine of the Trinity? The Bible teaches that the Father is God, and the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, and yet God is one.

12. Are we able to explain the Trinity? We cannot explain the Trinity and need not expect to understand fully the nature of God; we cannot fully understand even our own nature.

13. How is the Trinity recognized in connection with baptism? We are told to baptize "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matt. 28:19.

14. How is the Trinity named in a benediction? "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all." II Cor. 13:14.

### ADVANCED QUESTIONS

a) Did the Holy Spirit give men the power of working miracles? Yes, the Holy Spirit gave to the apostles and others the power of working miracles. Acts 2:4; I Cor. 12:11.

b) What did the Saviour mean when he spoke of blaspheming against the Holy Spirit? Blaspheming against the Holy Spirit was saying that work of the Holy Spirit was work of Satan. Mark 3:29.

c) Is there any other unpardonable sin? The Saviour says that every sin may be forgiven except

### Chunky Ordains Minister



Roland Barber of Chunky was ordained to the full gospel ministry at the Chunky church on Sunday afternoon, September 5.

Rev. Reese Acklin, former pastor of Chunky, was moderator of the ordination council and brought the ordination message. Dr. Lewis Curtis, pastor of Hickory Church, was the interrogator and presented the Bible. Mr. Whitman, pastor of Pine Grove, gave the charge. The newly ordained minister led the closing prayer.

Mr. Barber is a recent graduate of Mississippi State College and is now enrolled at the New Orleans Seminary. He is serving as interim pastor of the Chunky Church.

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### "Typical" Southern

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Cooperative Program), 1 cent.

To foreign missions (outside the Cooperative Program), 1 cent.

To other missions and benevolences 10 cents.

To local church expenses, 6 cents  
Weekly total, 68 cents.

**FOREIGN MISSION BOARD'S GOAL: \$1.00 PER MEMBER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM**

There are two ways — take your choice!

(1) Immediately.

If each church giving through the Cooperative Program will DOUBLE its GIFTS, the Foreign Mission Board will receive "\$1.00 per MEMBER."

(2) More Gradually.

In 1953, Southern Baptist churches gave slightly more than 10 per cent of all receipts to the Cooperative Program.

If the Cooperative Program percentage is increased by 5 per cent in 1954 and increased again another 5 per cent in 1955, the Foreign Mission Board will receive \$1.00 per Member."

Suppose your church for example, is now giving 18 per cent of its total receipts to the Cooperative Program. To help reach the goal, it should increase the percentage to 23 per cent of total receipts in 1954 and then increase it again in 1955 to 28 per cent.

**SO TAKE YOUR CHOICE! AND DO IT NOW!**

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The 1955 budget of the Louisiana Baptist Convention will provide, for the first time, for full support of all institutions and agencies of the convention. This feature of the new budget will eliminate the need for special drives and appeals by several agencies of the convention which have been forced to subsidize their receipts in the past. The total budget is \$1,620,000 and is an increase of \$470,000 over the 1954 budget.

the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. Mark 3:28; Matt. 12:31, 32; I John 5:16.

d) What is the meaning of the word Trinity? The word Trinity or Triunity means that God is in one sense three and in another sense one.

## THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

IN ANNUAL SESSION SEPT. 13  
RE-EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE  
OF REACHING OUR COOPERATIVE  
PROGRAM GOAL OF  
**\$1,500,000**



REV. J. R. DAVIS  
New Albany, President  
State Convention Board

The Board, the duly Convention-elected promotional Agency of the Convention, urges every Mississippi Baptist Church to support wholeheartedly our efforts to reach our Goal.

The Board Members pledged themselves to all-out leadership and activity in their respective Associations in the matter of reaching our Cooperative Program Goal.

Listed below is the membership Roster of the State Convention Board and the Association to which each member represents the Board:

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## Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

CHESTER L. QUARLES  
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## How To Reach Goal Of \$1,500,000

How to reach our Cooperative Program goal of \$1,500,000 for this Convention year is an important subject right now among Mississippi Baptists.

The Baptist Record believes it can be and should be reached and we venture herewith several suggestions to our churches and their leadership.

Suggestion No. One is the Over-And-Above Gift plan. Many churches have on hand a reserve fund from which an Over-And-Above gift could be taken.

Suggestion No. Two is for churches that have Cooperative Program funds on hand to send those funds in to help reach the objective.

Suggestion No. Three is for the churches that have not contributed regularly or churches that are giving only a small percentage to take a supplementary Cooperative Program offering.

Suggestion No. Four is for every church that feels like it to make some kind of supplementary offering. Churches and individuals sometimes move by impulse and this would be a good impulse.

Through August our Cooperative Program contributions were up 13% over a year ago, a marvelous record, but not sufficient to reach our ambitious but worthy objective of \$1,500,000 which calls for a 25% increase.

We have a real opportunity to do something worthy for state and world missions in our \$1,500,000 goal for this year.

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## As Others Saw It

(Editor's Note: In order that our readers may get a cross section of Southern Baptist thought concerning the Southern Baptist Convention which recently met in St. Louis, we give below some of the main thoughts of other Editors. The editorial below, which is condensed, is from the Christian Century, a liberal magazine published in Chicago and noted for its annual criticisms of the Southern Baptist Convention. This year's editorial is not quite as caustic as in previous years.)

More than ten thousand "messengers" came up to St. Louis for the 97th Southern Baptist Convention. Only a few cities in the nation have facilities adequate to accommodate this combination of business meeting, church fair, preaching festival and old-home week. The denomination and its convention are growing so rapidly that some of the places where Southern Baptists have met are not likely to see them again. Next year the convention plays a return engagement in Miami; then it will revisit Chicago.

This is the fastest growing large denomination in the United States. Its membership at the end of 1953 was 7,886,000, which represented an increase of 251,000 or 3.3 per cent during the year. Sunday School enrollment has reached

5.7 million, having jumped by nearly 5 per cent. The denomination now has 29,496 churches, a gain of about two churches each day during the year. The Baptist Training Union, a unique institution which trains Christians of all ages for work in the local church, grew by 10 per cent during the year and includes nearly 2 million members. Church property increased by \$129 million during the year, putting the denomination in the billionaire class with property worth \$1,020,504,214. Last year gifts totaling \$278 million flowed into the treasuries of these churches, of which nearly \$50 million went for missions. An intake which now amounts to over \$5 million a week may soon equal a million a day.

With these numbers and this wealth and vitality, the Southern Baptist Convention took seriously the admonition of Courts Redford, secretary of its Home Mission board: "Let us possess the land." The recently appointed executive of the board addressed this convention, taking as his subject: "Let us go up at once and possess the land for we are well able to possess it." He spelled out his meaning: "Let us possess the land. Let us take America for Christ. Let us do it. I like those words. That is Baptist language. No overlordship; just the coordinated effort of a people who love God, seeking to carry out His command and His commission. Let us go up at once and possess the land."

This annual mass meeting of "messengers" — not representatives — of the churches is an important element in the process of denominational integration and expansion.

An example was the preliminary move made for the invasion of Canada.

Throughout the discussion it was assumed that the Great Commission was given exclusively to Southern Baptists. It was openly stated that the rapid growth in numbers and wealth of the Southern Baptist churches is an obvious sign of God's favor.

In the process of growth some developments are taking place which reflect a maturing sense of churchmanship. One of these is the slow evolution of the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The convention itself is a meeting and it is also a continuing organization. Now the convention is turning over an increasing number of decisions to the executive committee, and with these goes power. One of the decisions it was asked here to make has to do with the location of the S. B. C. radio commission. For more than a decade the commission had been domiciled in Atlanta. Its new secretary, Paul M. Stevens, complained that it was not appreciated in Atlanta; that it had been treated like a stepchild during the dozen years it has been located in the Georgia

capital; that it would do a much more effective job if it were moved to Fort Worth, Texas. At first the convention agreed with him, then it referred the matter to the executive committee, with power to act.

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## Everything Up---But The Minister's Salary

In a day when people are going back to the churches in droves, piling high the Sunday collection plates, and have embarked on an unprecedented church building campaign, the average clergyman is still the "forgotten man" — as far as his pocketbook is concerned. While the purchasing power of every other major job category has kept pace with the cost of living it has actually decreased for the average among America's 187,000 Protestant clergymen serving churches. This despite the fact that in terms of actual dollars and cents annual clerical salaries — traditionally low to begin with — are about twice what they were in 1939.

This is the story told in figures published this month in the 1955 Yearbook of American Churches.

According to a table of comparative incomes based on latest government findings, the clergyman earns roughly the same as artists, barbers, sailors and longshoremen. Only farmers and restaurant waiters are shown to earn significantly less. Other professional persons, however, are anywhere up to three times better off, the Yearbook chart shows. Architects, dentists and lawyers do twice as well, or better, and physicians and surgeons average out better than three to one in earnings.

This trend in clerical incomes runs counter to all other important trends in religious life, the survey shows. In the last 15 years church membership has risen to equal 59.5 per cent of the total population — an increase of more than 10 per cent over the 1939 figure. In Protestant and Eastern Orthodox churches alone, members are given cash support to the extent of \$1,401,000,000 a year —

a per member rate of \$42 as compared to \$13 in 1939. Church building is at an all-time high of \$500,000,000 — ten times as much as in 1939. But the glaring exception to this picture remains — the progressively shrinking buying power of the clergyman himself.

"No one would ever enter the ministry because of the material rewards," says Dr. Benson Landis, associate director of the Council's Research and Survey Department and editor of the Yearbook. "But today it appears that the purchasing power of the minister's salary has reached a low point — and the only way he can get relief is through action by his own parishioners."

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## Suggestions For Better Minutes

Southern Baptists are indebted to Dr. Porter Routh, Secretary of the BC Executive Committee, for much helpful information and many good suggestions for keeping better records.

He is greatly interested in better associational minutes and we give below in condensed form some of his suggestions for improving the minutes of our associations:

1. Clerks should try to make an attractive, usable book that will appeal to those not ordinarily interested in associational matters.
2. Make an alphabetized index and have it printed on the outside of the back cover. This will save time in fumbling for information.
3. Get the association to elect someone to write a one-page description of the year's work of personalities, churches, and movements. This will be valuable and interesting information in the future.
4. Omit or condense long, wordy reports. Include only figures of the actual work of the association.
5. Change the style of the cover. Variety attracts attention. Don't use the same style and color year after year.
6. Insert a complete directory of churches and associational officers, including complete addresses for each name.

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**Missionaries-For-**

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 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee." That song will have a new meaning from now to eternity.

We had a breakfast feast, including rice, baked chicken, and bananas which came from the front yard.

We started our meeting early and the experience is unforgettable.

After the song services and devotional reading, Mr. Solesbee asked me to tell the folks something about our Foreign Mission Board and its work around the world. It was a joy to tell these people of Southern Baptists' growing support of Christ's work in the Philippines and 32 other countries.

Their eyes brightened as my interpreter told them what I was saying concerning support through prayer, money, and, most important of all, missionaries. No Christian could have seen the expressions on those interested faces without thanking God again for every missionary dollar and every missionary life spent in his service.

Next came the business meeting. Bill Solesbee showed rare skill as he diligently shared with them the fundamental beliefs of Baptists concerning the autonomy of the local church and the blessings to be gained from the formation of a district association. This has more meaning when one realizes that some of these people have not been Christians for more than one or two years while others have become Baptists by conviction only recently. As we listened to the detailed explanation of what Baptists believe the New Testament teaches, we thanked God anew for missionaries.

Healthy discussion followed in typical Baptist style.

The motion was made and the vote taken to call another meeting in October for the purpose of adopting a constitution and forming what may well be the first Baptist association in the Philippine Islands. History was being made and we were conscious of it. One other such planning meeting had been held in Davao; but it remains to be seen which group will actually form the first association.

We turned our attention to the climax of the morning. Dr. Thurman, Foreign Mission Board member from Kentucky, preached a stirring message on Philippians 4:13; six came forward expressing for the first time a desire to accept Christ as Saviour.

There was a spirit of uplift and genuine oneness in Christ. God's business had been transacted, the Word preached, and decisions made for Christ. Our hearts were glad!

After fellowship at the noon meal we bade our new-found friends in Christ goodbye. As we rode back down the dusty, winding road we thanked God for the good news of Jesus Christ and for the faithful witness of missionaries and national Christians. We thanked him, too, that two "greenhorns" from the States could have the privilege of being pioneer missionaries-for-a-day.

The words of Jesus became more real and supremely urgent: "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the

**Perkins Ordained**

IRA SAMUEL PERKINS

"On Sunday afternoon, August 29, Ira Samuel Perkins of Hernando, was ordained to the Gospel Ministry, at the Trinity Church in DeSoto County.

The ordaining council consisted of the Rev. M. C. Whitten, pastor of the Trinity church; Dr. C. S. Henderson, Horn Lake; Rev. Ervin Brown, Hernando; Dr. Clyde Martin, Senatobia; Rev. B. F. McIlwain, Horn Lake; Rev. R. F. Wilmoth, and Rev. L. M. Perkins Sr., Memphis.

Dr. C. C. Henderson served as Chairman of the council and Rev. B. F. McIlwain as clerk.

Special music was given by William W. Sherrick of Memphis. Dr. Clyde Martin preached the ordination message. The ordination prayer was led by Pastor Whitten, after which there was the laying on of hands by the council. Dr. C. C. Henderson presented the Bible and gave the charge.

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**Concerning "Divine"**

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 mere mortal to declare what the Almighty cannot do? Anyone who has no relevancy for us (Jas. 5:14), to make him believe that God never performs miracles of healing in our day has been unfortunately influenced. Unfortunately influenced, also, is the one who foolishly believes that through human prayers God will heal any and every case of illness.

If God does not heal today, He has lost power He once had, and so cannot be God at all. If He does not heal now, His plans have changed greatly since Bible days, and much of the New Testament has so relevancy for us Jas. 5:14).

On the other hand, if God were to heal in every case where prayers are offered, many undertakers would have to close shop and cemeteries would find their rate of population increase greatly lowered. Man's spirit is always more important to God than his body. Preaching, teaching, and healing were in the ministry of Christ, but two of these three forms of service were direct ministries to the spiritual side of life.

The trouble with these "faith-healers" is that they major on the body and not the soul. What they ought to recognize is that bodily illness may serve to bless the soul

labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

**Sparks & Splinters**

If you got the wrong hat during the recent meeting of the State Convention Board, you probably got the hat of Rev. E. Y. Soileau of Columbia. He also has a hat that does not belong to him and hopes that he can find the owner. If you have a strange hat, write to Mr. Soileau at 714 Royal Street, Columbia.

Riverside Church, Nashville, recently observed the first anniversary of their pastor, Rev. Ernie Myers, Mississippian. During his pastorate there has been a net gain of 215 in Sunday School enrollment, the offerings have more than doubled and the Sunday School departments have increased from 8 to 19.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. C. J. Rushing, Laurel; Rev. Roy Colburn, Liberty; B. W. Jones, Oxford; Rev. H. M. Ward, Kosciusko; S. D. Douglas, Clarksdale; Jerry Clower, Yazoo City; Rev. J. Ford Parker, Meridian; N. H. Smith, Meridian; E. C. Wheeler, Eden; Rev. Montie A. Davis, Carson; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pennock, Granite City, Illinois; Rev. W. Harold Anderson, Slaughter, Louisiana; Rev. W. L. Grafton, Meridian; Rev. C. O. Estes, Mt. Olive.

If one soul is worth more than all the money in the world, think how great your treasure in heaven will be if you practice personal witnessing consistently.

and give it healing. Many people find the Lord precious to their soul only when "laid up" with some ailment. The affliction may be perpetual, according to God's purpose, so that the soul may find pardon and peace from God. Afflictions of body often serve to keep one humble and trusting, as was the case with Paul.

**Who Heals?**

A word now as to who does heal. All healing is divine healing. Satan is the author of disease as a power to destroy, not the author of soundness and health. There is the instance of the woman bent double, whom Satan had kept bound for eighteen years. Satan did this thing. Jesus here undid the works of Satan, as He came to do. Jesus is still the Great Physician and He still heals diseases of body, far more now than when here in the flesh. He is the impulse and core of authority in medical discovery (the Revealer as Logos). His is the doctor's skill; His, the potency of drugs; His, the nurse's care. His arms are the sheltering walls of hospitals. "Greater works than these shall you do" in healing diseases.

In all these agencies and instrumentalities, prayer has its valid place. God is not shut up to the use of these institutional factors, but He may heal by immediate intervention in answer to the prayer of faith. When He knows that a body healed will minister to a soul and the cause of Kingdom service, He purposes to heal and does heal. A true Christian will pray for healing for self and others only if it will serve the cause of Christian living.

(Reprinted from the Western Recorder).

While Dr. R. A. Tullis, pastor of the Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, was away conducting a revival meeting at Okolona, Rev. James B. Parker, Chaplain at the Baptist Hospital, Jackson, supplied for him on Sunday, September 19. There were three additions, two by letter and one for baptism. Progress is being made on a new church building.

At the recent meeting of the Convention Board, Rev. Guy Reedy, Ruleville, was flashing a roll of bills about the size of his fist. He admitted that it was not the savings from his salary but a gift from the church. His wife had presented him with a nice suit of clothes. Then the church presented a program, "This Is Your Life," and had given him the rolls of bills to buy accessories to go with the suit.

Dr. W. R. Cooper of Jackson has been called as interim-pastor of Bethel Church (half-time) in Rankin county while the church seeks a pastor.

Dedication services were held at Temple Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich., recently, dedicating the \$2,000,000 church and Sunday school buildings, one of the largest facilities for any church in America.

The Taiwan Baptist Convention was organized in July. (Taiwan is the Chinese name for Formosa.) The 11 Baptist churches reported 748 baptisms during the past year and a total membership of approximately 2,000. New chapels have been opened rapidly, and many of them could become churches immediately except for the lack of missionary leadership. Several churches with two to four hundred members are without resident pastors. Southern Baptists still have only six missionary men (of a total mission staff of 27) at work among the 9,000,000 people of Formosa.

Seven weeks after the organization of the Sunday School at Yale Street Church, Cleveland, the enrollment has grown from 52 to 104. Rev. Joseph W. Oliver is the pastor.

Mrs. Frank Hill, Kentucky WMU state mission study chairman was killed in an automobile accident as she was returning from the WMU Conference at Ridgecrest, N. C.

Anyone beginning to think about Christmas and a Christmas program will find help in the following musical publications published by Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio: Time For Joy, a Christmas service for younger children (20 cents per copy); Dramatic Productions, a handbook for church drama (75 cents); Christmas, a Christmas service, (20 cents per copy); Three Christmas Plays (40 cents per copy); Christmas Suggestion Book No. 28 (40 cents per copy). Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher.

Rev. and Mrs. Richard Tipton announce the birth of a son, Philip Edward, on September 2. Mr. Tipton is the assistant pastor of 41st Avenue Church, Meridian.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Everitt are the proud parents of a daughter born September 13. She has been named Jeannie Sue. Mr. Everitt is Superintendent of Missions for Bolivar County.



He's bound to read something—let it be the Baptist Record.

EVANSTON, ILL. (RNS). . . Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, Venezuela and Paraguay were named here as the principal Latin American countries having religious restrictions "with a tendency to remain as they are or to increase." This appraisal was made to the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches by Methodist Bishop Sante Uberto Barbieri of Buenos Aires, Argentina. At the same time, Bishop Barbieri noted a decline in restrictions in Argentina and Mexico. And he classified Chile, Uruguay, Bolivia, Brazil, Central America and the Caribbean republics as having "complete liberty of action for all religious bodies with some special privileges for the Roman Catholic Church." Bishop Barbieri charged that the Roman Catholic Church is trying to maintain a 300-year-old "religious iron curtain" in Latin America.

Rev. Jimmy Breland is serving First Church, Cleveland, as interim pastor. Mr. Breland has served as BSU Secretary at Delta State for the past several years.

TORONTO. . . (RNS). . . Canadian war veterans are determined to have a prayer said at their annual Remembrance Day Rallies Nov. 11 even if it means the armed forces will not take part. Officials of the Canadian Legion have been waging a war of words with the Defense Department, which has barred armed forces participation in such gatherings if prayers are to be said. "It amounts to this," said one Legion officer. "We cannot have the men of the forces at our services unless we hold the kind of services that atheists and infidels could approve." The trouble arises from a regulation which states: "No officer or man shall be required to attend a religious service other than a service of the group in which his denomination is included."

TOMORROW I'LL BE HAPPY is a very interesting novel by Dorothy C. Haskins. Jessie Lee, the heroine, keeps looking for her happiness in the "tomorrow" but finds in the end that happiness lies in no person or in no especial event, but in learning to accept and follow God's will for one's life. Follow her joys and heartaches—the story of her loves, exciting accounts of a flood and a tornado, the story of Jessie Lee's finding Christ as her Saviour. Order the book from the Baptist Book Store or from Zondervan Press, Grand Rapids, Michigan (\$2).

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### CLINIC SPEAKER



Shown above is George Schroeder, Executive Secretary, Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tennessee, who will discuss Basic Brotherhood Procedure the week of September 27-October 1 in connection with the 20 Brotherhood Clinics which are to be held September 27-October 29. Mr. Schroeder will speak at the following meetings.

September 27—Booneville  
September 28—New Albany  
September 30—Batesville  
October 1—Tutwiler

### INSTALLATION BROTHERHOOD OFFICERS

When the new officers have been

elected and are ready to take office, it is a good plan to have an Installation Service for these men. A copy of an Installation Service may be had by writing our office or a good Installation Service is to have a Ladies Night in which the wives of all the men of the Brotherhood are invited to attend and the Brotherhood furnish a supper at the church for all. Then using your pastor let him install the new officers.

A good plan is to have the old officers come to the front, recognize them for the services they have done and have someone lead in a prayer of thanksgiving for their leadership in the year past. Following the prayer then let these men be seated and call one by one, beginning with the president, the newly elected officers to come to the front. Take time then to outline the duties of the officer and then give him a charge of his office. After all have been lined up across the front, then the pastor can give the whole group the plan and purpose of the Brotherhood and charge them to keep the faith for the new year.

The meeting can be closed with a prayer of dedication for these new men that the Lord will lead as they lead the men of the church into a greater field of service. If this is done right, it is impressive and gives the men a consciousness of responsibilities both to the church and to the men of the Brotherhood.

### LAWTON JOINS FACULTY OF N. O. SEMINARY

#### New Building Underway

Dr. Ben R. Lawton is Visiting Professor of Missions for the 1954-55 session. Home on furlough from his assignment as President of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Rivoli-Turin, Italy, Dr. Lawton, his wife and three children will occupy the "Missionary's Home" on faculty row. He will teach the basic missions courses in the theological curriculum.

Dr. Lawton began a career in medicine with unusual distinction. He was the first freshman student ever to be awarded a scholarship by the Cornell Medical School. Entering there in 1939, he resigned to enter Southern Baptist Theological Seminary some six months later—in December. Of this experience—changing from medicine to the ministry—Dr. Lawton says: "Frequently I am asked, 'Have you ever regretted giving up medicine?' To answer this I might say that when I informed the Dean of Cornell Medical School that I was leaving, he 'all but threw the book at me.' It appeared that I was most unappreciative of the scholarship awarded me. A big examination was coming up in two weeks, and for my own satisfaction as well as disliking the thought of being accused of leaving under fire, I remained to take the exam. After leaving Cornell, the graded examination paper was mailed to me, with the information that I had made the highest mark in the class. Yes! I regretted having left, and

### Ellisville Secures Educational Director

The First church of Ellisville has employed Mrs. Virginia Vercher as educational director. Mrs. Vercher received her training at Baylor University, Waco, Texas and Southwestern Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.

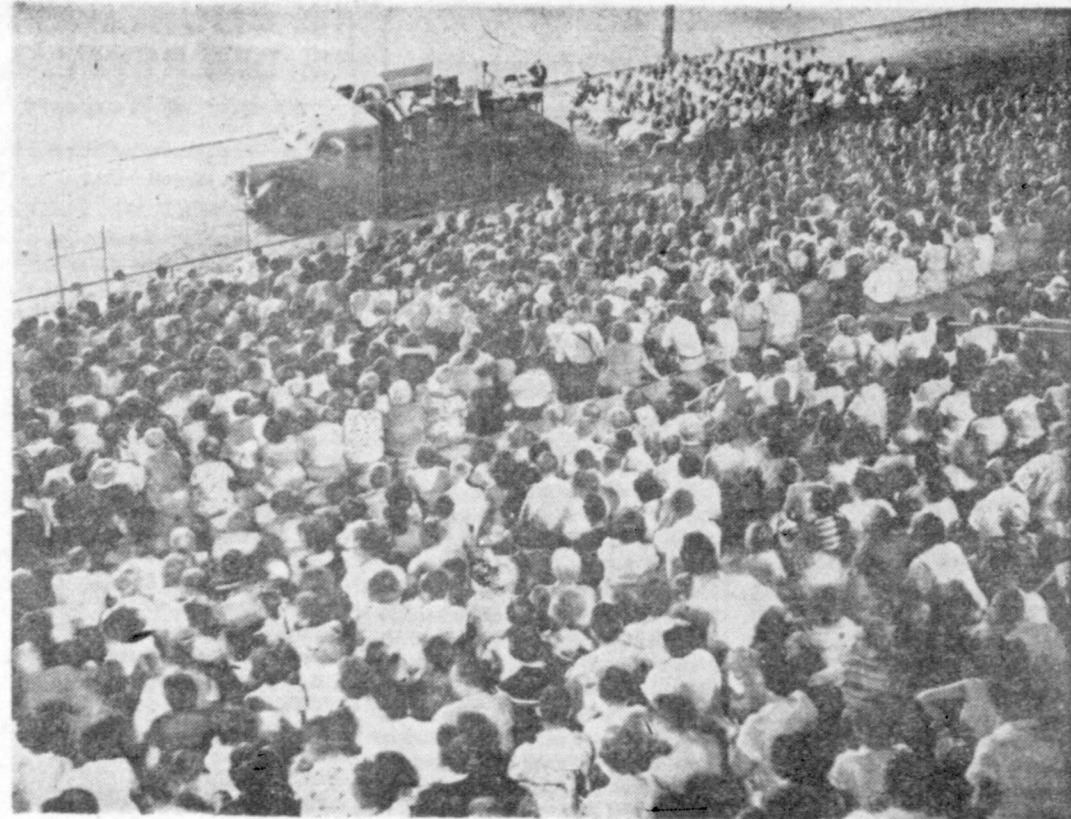
She will serve as secretary in the church office and assist in promotional work. Rev. C. W. Thompson is pastor.

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wondered if I had done the right thing—for a full 15 minutes!" Dr. Lawton did his under-graduate work at Washington & Lee University. His scholastic ability gained him membership in Phi Beta Kappa. He was Fellow in the New Testament Department at Louisville. He completed work on the Th. D. in 1947.

Mrs. Lawton was the former Patsy Patterson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. Scott Patterson, missionaries to Africa, now retired. They have three children ages 10, eight and one.

The Lawtons sailed to Italy in 1947, appointed by the Foreign Mission Board to re-open the Baptist Seminary then located in Rome but closed during the Fascist regime. The seminary was successfully re-opened early in 1948, but after a few months was moved to Rivoli-Turin to be close to stronger Baptist work in the Piedmont section in the northwestern part of Italy. This section is known as the "evangelical cradle" of Italy. Baptists have more churches here than in any other section of Italy.

## 50,000 Attend Eddie Martin Meeting In Meridian



During the three weeks from August 8 to 29 Meridian and Lauderdale county experienced perhaps the greatest revival crusade in their history. Under the leadership of Evangelist Eddie Martin, the forty Baptist churches in the Lauderdale County Association united for a revival in a large tent seating approximately 3,500 people. The first week night crowd was about 1,500, and the attendance increased until it averaged 2,300 nightly. The second Sunday night services attracted about 3,500. The crusade was moved to the college foot ball stadium for the third and fourth Sunday nights. History making crowds of 5,300, and a closing night crowd of 6,800 attended the two

stadium meetings. These crowds were by far the largest gatherings in the history of the city. The aggregate attendance for the twenty nights of preaching was approximately 50,000 people.

The crusade was covered by the daily paper and given front page publicity every day. It was the first united effort sponsored by Baptist churches only ever attempted in Meridian.

The pastors report that the churches have been greatly strengthened by the revival. Evangelist Martin is a powerful preacher of the gospel and a church centered evangelist. Thousands of people have intensified their Bible reading and soul winning efforts, and church faithfulness as a re-

sult of the meetings. A large number of young people surrendered for full time service for the first time. Over four hundred people were dealt with by the evangelist in the after meetings in response to the invitation to receive Christ as Savior. Many of the churches in the association are receiving numbers of additions at every service following the meeting. Prayer meeting, Sunday school, training union, and regular church attendance have all increased greatly in the churches. The spirit of revival has reached into the homes and institutions throughout the city.

The executive committee of the association has appointed a committee of pastors to make plans for another similar effort.

## Seminary Extension Center Starts In Jackson Oct. 12

Hinds County Association will open a Seminary Extension Center in Jackson October 12. The classes will meet at First Church. The first semesters work will consist of 16 class periods of one hour each.

Four courses will be offered: Old Testament, New Testament, Preaching and Evangelism, and Religious Education.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of First Church, Jackson will teach the course in New Testament; Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson, will teach Old Testament; and Dr. W. C. Fields, pastor, First Church, Yazoo City will teach the course in Preaching and Evangelism. Dr. Lewis Rhodes, pastor of Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, will serve as substitute teacher. The instructor for Religious Education will be Rev. W. Henry Crouch, pastor of Northside Church, Jackson.

These courses are offered for the benefit of preachers, Sunday School workers, and all other church leaders and members who are interested in further Bible study

and under competent teachers. This Seminary Extension Center, which will operate in connection with the Baptist Seminary Extension Department is open not only for Hinds Countians, but for the people of surrounding counties as well.

Registration will begin September 27.

For more information you may write to the Seminary Extension Center, Box 530, Jackson, or consult the pastor of your church.

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California Baptist College was authorized by the California Veterans Administration to accept applications from veterans who desire training under the GI Bill of Rights

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### STANDARDIZATION SUMMARY JULY 1953-JUNE 1954

Association Church	Units
Benton-Hickory Flat	1
Calhoun-Calhoun City	1
Gulf Coast-Biloxi	1
Hinds-Alta Woods	7
Hinds-Clinton	2
Hinds-Crestwood	3
Hinds-Daniel Memorial	2
Hinds-Jackson, First	1
Hinds-Griffith Memorial	3
Hinds-New Haven	5
Hinds-Parkway	13
Hinds-Ridgecrest	2
Hinds-Van Winkle	3
Jasper-Edon	2
Lee-Calvary	2
Lincoln-Brookhaven, First	2
Lincoln-Macedonia	2
Lowndes-Columbus, First	1
Neshoba-Bethsaida	1
Neshoba-Linwood	1
Pike-East McComb	15
Tallahatchie-Tutwiler	4
Yalobusha-Coffeetown	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>

### Dr. R. G. Lee To Preach At Louisville

Dr. R. G. Lee, Pastor of the Bellevue Church, Memphis, will preach at the First Baptist Church, Louisville, on Monday evening, September 27. A banquet for 250 church-elected leaders will begin at 6 o'clock, at which time Dr. Lee will preach a message challenging the church leaders as they assume their places of leadership for the new church year. Immediately following the banquet, a great consecration service is planned to begin at 7:45, at which time Dr. Lee will preach again. The latter meeting will be held in the beautiful new church sanctuary and will be open to all.

According to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. James H. Fairchild, October will be observed as a special month of emphasis with the theme for the month being, "My Maximum For The Master".

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## 146 CHURCHES NOW COMMITTED IN 1955 REVIVAL CRUSADE

By DR. C. E. WILBANKS

Upon the first request for reports of churches already committed to conduct revivals in 1955, during the continent-girdling simultaneous revivals, 147 churches returned replies. Practically all of them, wisely enough, have their evangelists already committed to help them. Five months remain for preparation.

Here are the names of the associations, churches, pastors and their evangelists:

**ALCORN:**  
Tate Street (Corinth), M. Glenn Smith; Kossuth, Milton Bryant;  
**BOLIVAR:**  
Cleveland 1st; Everitt Chapel, Charles Everitt;  
**CALHOUN:**  
Derma, Elton Barlow; Duncan Hill, Elton Barlow;  
**CARROLL:**  
Mt. Olive, W. M. Davis, H. A. Merritt;  
**CHICKASAW:**  
Pleasant Ridge, Aris Bryant; Houston, William G. Thompson.

**CHOCTAW:**  
Ackerman, Samuel W. Brown;  
**CLARKE:**  
Center Ridge, Don E. Henderson, Maurice Horn;

**CLAY:**  
West End (West Point) H. O. Haywood; West Point, First, Perry C. Perkins, Dr. T. C. Smith;  
**DESOTO:**  
Hernando, Grant Clark, pastor and evangelist; Olive Branch, A. L. Goodson;

**GEORGE:**  
Lucedale, Van H. Hardin; Rocky Creek, U. G. Salter, Harry Lee Spencer;  
**GREENE:**  
McLain 1st, Mack P. Jones;  
**GRENADA:** Immanuel (Grenada) Harry Kellogg; Grenada 1st, J. W. Landrum, W. Douglas Hudgins; Pleasant Grove (Gore Springs), G. H. Middleton.

**GULF COAST:**  
Pass Christian 1st, W. S. Allen; Miss. City Mission, Fred S. Roth, Pastor & Evangelist; New Hope, Robert C. Cleardy; Handsboro, Glenn P. Dismukes; Trinity (Biloxi), J. Hoffman Harris; Bay St. Louis 1st, S. M. Bateson, Claude U. Broach; West Gulfport, E. S. Flynt, pastor and evangelist; Calvary, A. D. Nieman, Pete Steelman.

**HINDS:**  
Crestwood (Jackson), A. B. Pierce, Troy Prince; Highland (Jackson), Geo. Lassett; West Jackson, J. D. Nazary; Van Winkle (Jackson), H. A. Milner; Bethesda, R. R. Tipton; Ridgecrest (Jackson), Fred Tarpley; Jackson 1st, W. Douglas Hudgins, Fred Eastham; Raymond, John R. Cobb; Daniel Memorial (Jackson) Lewis E. Rhodes; Calvary (Jackson) Luther Joe Thompson, John Newport; Northside (Jackson), Wm. Henry Crouch, W. Perry Crouch; Palestine, Joe Galle; Utica, R. Y. Gerrard, Jim Smith; Southside (Jackson), S. W. Valentine; Edwards, Mack Bomer.

**HOLMES:**  
Goodman, John G. McDonald; Lexington 1st, P. D. Bragg;  
**HUMPHRIES:**  
Belzoni, C. A. Molpus; Silver City, Buck Jackson, Bob Compere.

JACKSON:

Pascagoula 1st, T. J. Delaughter, James Southerland; Kreole, Melvin T. Wilson.

**JEFF DAVIS:**  
Prentiss, L. E. Green, O. L. Baylis;

**JONES:**  
Indian Springs, S. S. Kelley; Freedom, P. D. Lott; Highland (Laurel) James A. Hurt, Otis Brooks; Friendship, Haskel Mathis, J. Ralph Noonkester; West Laurel, W. E. Hellen, Judson E. Glenn; Harmony (Laurel), T. E. Fant, pastor & evangelist; Laurel 1st, T. R. McKibbens; Beacon (Laurel) Tom Renfro, H. J. Rushing; Wildwood (Laurel), J. M. Foy;

**KEMPER:**  
Union, William M. Eckridge; Scooba, T. R. Coulter, Jr.;

**LAUDERDALE:**  
Oak Grove, Elton Moore; Forty First Ave. (Meridian), Tom L. Pfeifer, George Hammon; 15th Avenue, Jack Southerland.

**LAWRENCE:**  
Jayess, W. J. Hemby, J. N. Gibson;

**LEAKE:**  
Carthage, Troy Prince;

**LEBANON:**  
Purvis 1st, Paul H. Leber, M. E. Perry; Big Level, Lester Dennis; Immanuel (Hattiesburg), R. Elmer Nielsen; Main St. (Hattiesburg), John E. Barnes, Jr., Angel Martinez; Zion Hill, W. Doyle Combs; Rawls Springs, Charles Holifield; Temple (Hattiesburg), Irving M. Prince;

**LEE:**  
East Tupelo, J. I. Berryhill; Harrisburg (Tupelo) Howard H. Aultman; Calvary (Tupelo), W. L. Day, James Taylor; Plantersville, Joseph S. Johnson;

**LEFLORE:**  
Greenwood 1st, J. H. Kyzar, Paul Caudill; Schlater, Marcus Alexander;

**LINCOLN:**  
Brookhaven 1st, Brooks H. West-er, Hugh M. Lindsey; Bethel, Charles M. Case.

**LOWNDES:**  
Columbus 1st, S. R. Woodsen;

**MADISON:**  
Goodhope, J. B. Gray; Canton 1st, David T. Cranford; Flora, W. P. Davis, Harry Lee Spencer;

**MARION:**  
Columbia 1st, A. L. Gatewood, Allen Webb; North Columbia, John R. Eubanks; Hurricane Creek, R. A. Hancock, pastor & evangelist;

**MISSISSIPPI:**  
Centerville, E. L. Howell, W. A. Frye; Mt. Vernon, Ray Walters, Cline D. Ehis; Pioneer, Fred E. Pohl, T. R. Clark; Gillsburg, D. T. Evans, Rev. Duncan;

**MONROE:**  
Smithville, H. B. Nail;

**MONTGOMERY:**  
Eskridge, W. M. Hull, pastor & evangelist; Kilmichael, Landrum Salley, Levon Moore;

**PANOLA:**  
Pope, M. P. Jones; Liberty Hill, M. P. Jones; Crenshaw, J. B. Dorrah; Batesville 1st, Robert W. Martin, Chester E. Swor;

**PEARL RIVER:**  
Juniper Grove, N. F. Greer, Lewis E. Rhodes; Bethel, James R. Carpenter, R. C. Johnson; Corinth, W. A. Sullivan; Fords Creek, W. S. Garmon;

(Continued Next Week)

## Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

### Rededications a Failure Question:

I'd like to be straightened out on the subject of rededications. During our spring revival many of our people rededicated themselves. When the meetings were over they went right back to smoking, drinking, and night clubbing, just as they had done before.

I have been a Baptist for fifty-five years and am in public business and hear a great deal of talk. Do these rededications help? Why are there so few who hold out?

**Answer:**  
Yes, I think many rededications help. I have seen whole lives changed in rededication services. In fact, often the experience is very much like a conversion.

Your account of the way many acted after the revival was over made me wonder about something. Were these decisions made by the individuals after adequate evidence and inner commitment? Or were they appeals to fall in line with the preacher's way of life? The former is the way of growth; the latter a great hindrance to growth. Not that what we preachers believe is not good and holy, but conformity is not responsibility.

Sometimes we get so concerned for decisions in a revival that we pluck the fruit before it is ripe. You laymen can help us, if you will.

Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

## Union Hall Church Dedicates Bldg., Revival Adds 14

There were 14 additions, 8 by profession of faith, during the revival at Union Hall Church in Lincoln County which closed September 3. Rev. Russell Phillips, pastor of Franklin Church in Madison County, was the evangelist and the song leader was Rev. Larry Raglan, pastor of Bogue Church, LeLand.

The revival began with a Dedication Service for the debt-free educational annex on August 29. The two story structure consists of eight classrooms, assembly room, secretary's office, kitchen and two rest-rooms.

Rev. W. H. Slaymaker began the pastorate in June, 1954.

According to a report from Dr. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the SBC, Mississippi during August gave \$47,250.22 to the Cooperative Program and \$3,619.43 for designated purposes, making a total of \$50,869.65.



## Sunday School Department

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HERMAN L. KING

Herman L. King, superintendent of adult Sunday school work in the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., has been promoted to position of superintendent of Sunday school administration in the same department.

Mr. King has been with the Board since 1939.

### A FEW MORE PLACES FOR NEW ORLEANS CLINIC

We have word from Nashville that a few more people from Mississippi can be taken for the South-wide Sunday school clinic next January 8-21, at New Orleans.

So, if you want in, let us know at once.

The only cost will be transportation and registration fee of \$15.00. Write us for application blank.

### JUST WATCH RIDGECREST

Ridgecrest church, in Jackson, has increased the Sunday School enrolment from 200 to 468 from August to August, and the average attendance from 127 to 249 in the same time.

Rev. Fred Tarpley is the pastor and H. L. Hutcherson the Supt.

### WHY GO FORWARD?

We hear much these days about advancement, going forward, progress, going on, etc., etc.

Is all this something new? Something that has recently been thrust upon us?

No, no, indeed, it is not something new. The idea has been here

all these centuries, and many people have grasped it and used it to great advantage in their work.

In the long ago, God said to his people, through Moses, "Speak unto the people that they go forward."

Why did he command that?

Certainly, it was no reflection on the distance they had already come. It did not mean that God was displeased with what they had done up to that point, but it did mean that he was not willing for them to remain there.

It meant that there were other fields to reach and conquer; other people to be helped. They would never have reached Canaan by staying in the border of Egypt. God's direction is always up, out, beyond, within, but never backward. He sees the unreached ones, the untainted ones, the unsaved ones, the undeveloped ones, and he wants us to see them also.

Then again, going forward is the antidote against satisfaction with what we have already done. It is very easy to rest upon our laurels, to be satisfied with things we have done. This should not be so when there are so many other fields yet uncultivated, but that are white unto harvest already.

Therefore, in this business of reaching more people for Bible study in our Sunday schools, let us work harder to make the new year that is so close the very finest and best we have ever had in all good things.

### MORE STANDARDS

The following units have become Standard recently:

Center Terrace, Canton, Rev. Solie I. Smith, pastor, H. E. McKay, superintendent.

Young People's department, Temple, Hattiesburg, Mrs. Homer H. Bridges, superintendent, and these Standard classes of the same department—Christian Soldiers, L. W. Thomas, teacher; Lydia, Mrs. Jerry N. Daniel; Loyal Soldiers, Jerry N. Daniel.

Fidelis Matrons, Adult, Mendenhall, Mrs. W. M. Wiggins; Faithful Workers, Adult, Mendenhall, Mrs. Dessie Miller.

Our very sincere thanks to the leaders of these units for this good work.

### GRADING DOES HELP

"The women of our Adult department were graded before the men. While waiting for the men to get ready for grading, the women enlisted 43 new members, while the men got only 3," says Rev. J. B. Smith, the pastor at Magee.

He states further, "Now we are graded all the way, and the men have also enlisted a good number of new ones."

Yes, grading does help, no matter what the department. One of the prime reasons for the great growth of our Sunday school enrolment these years is the fact that we are providing, through grading, a much more satisfactory basis for the work. It helps in reaching, teaching, and winning the people.

## Three Preachers Licensed By Second Church, Leland



Pictured above is Pastor Willard Fuller of the Second Church, Leland, as he presents licenses to the full gospel ministry to (left to right), Hershel Wren, Herbert Hudson and Paul Moon. They will enter Clarke Memorial College this fall.

Six have answered the call to preach under the ministry of this pastor during the five years as a Mississippi pastor.

## Pastor—Have You Ordered Your Materials For Stewardship Revival?

Pastor—have you ordered your materials for Stewardship Revival, Oct. 31-Nov. 1, or nearest convenient date?

Effective materials in ample quantities are now available in the office of Executive Secretary Chester L. Quarles and may be had for the asking.

Order blanks and samples of these materials have been mailed to all pastors on the mailing list and scores of orders have already been received with others coming in every day. It has been announced by Rev. Joe Abrams, Director of Promotion.

### Fair River Calls Rev. T. C. Johnson

Rev. T. C. Johnson, recently of Phenix City, Ala., has accepted the call of Fair River Church in Lincoln County and will pursue some studies at New Orleans Seminary in connection with his pastorate.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson was formerly pastor of the church at Shuqualak and previous to that was Lowndes County Association superintendent of missions.

He and family have already moved on the field.

These materials consist of tracts, posters, song sheets, plays, films and film-slides, all of which can be used most effectively.

Those pastors who for any reason failed to receive their order blanks are urged to write Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Box 530, Jackson and request one.

Although they are not on the order blank those who may have misplaced their Stewardship Revival Handbook (August-September issue of the Baptist Program) may receive one by making request.

The materials this year are perhaps the most effective and comprehensive yet prepared and churches are urged to make use of them.

—BR—

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) Robert W. Jackson, Furman University, Greenville, S.C., was elected president of the College Association of Baptist Teachers of Religion. He was elected at the 27th annual meeting at Ridgecrest, N.C. Other officers elected to serve with him are: Robert L. Dobson, Wayland College, Plainview, Tex., vice-president; and E. C. Masden, Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Ky., secretary-treasurer.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

### REPORTS

	Enrol.	Offg.
Antioch (Negro) .....	49	5.23
Ealy (Negro) .....	49	
Bethlehem (Negro) ....	40	2.40
Cedar Grove (Negro) ....	49	.72
Mt. Moriah (Negro) ....	167	5.01
Starkville 2nd (Negro) ..	173	4.00
St. Matthew (Negro) ..	165	2.00
New Concord (Negro) ..	65	30.02
South Liberty (Negro) ..	157	14.44
Jones Chapel (Negro) ..	159	8.89
New Hope and Mt. Horah (Negro) .....	187	8.30
Rhodes Creek (Negro) ..	53	5.19
Shady Oak (Negro) ....	111	3.00
St. Elmo (Negro) .....	198	5.00
Verden Grove (Negro) ..	64	2.00
New Hope (Negro) .....	76	2.44
Mt. Nebo (Negro) .....	118	4.91
Norman Chapel (Negro) ..	48	2.61
North Side (Negro) ....	80	2.94
St. Luther (Negro) .....	75	3.68
True Vine (Negro) .....	84	5.43
Fair Field (Negro) .....	84	6.16
St. John (Negro) .....	57	1.50
Pilgrim (Negro) .....	63	1.50
Rosemont (Negro) .....	51	4.50
True Light (Negro) .....	147	4.83
Pine Grove (Negro) ....	82	1.40
Taylorville (Negro) ....	40	
Evergreen (Negro) .....	36	
Cades Chapel (Negro) ..	89	3.26
Baptist Children's		
Nook (Negro) .....	206	6.04
New Stranger's		
Home (Negro) .....	73	
Fair View (Negro) .....	115	3.82
St. Luke (Negro) .....	149	9.82
Jackson Chapel (Negro) ..	67	3.09
Fairs Chapel (Negro) ..	21	1.09
Clark Chapel (Negro) ..	34	1.00
Bridges Chapel (Negro) ..	50	2.00
New Bethel (Neshoba) ..	64	15.00
Pheba .....	59	10.85
McAdams .....	132	10.02
Iuka First (Negro) .....	74	
Leland, Second .....	112	
Puckett .....	102	15.14
Pittsboro .....	52	21.00
Pleasant Grove		
(Wayne) .....	100	7.76
Coyt (Wayne) .....	47	5.54
Goodyear (Pearl River) ..	102	9.26
Zion Hill (Copiah) ....	87	

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New Missions Opened .....	706	Bibles & Gospels	
New Churches		Distributed .....	159,414
Constituted .....	284	Tracts Distributed .....	1,486,445

\* Includes 266 student workers

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MISS ETHEL LAE WOOD

We're grateful for the fine service of MRS. DUANE IVEY (Fay Lee) as our office secretary for more than a year and for the equally fine service of MISS ETHEL LAE WOOD since she succeeded to the position August 13. Both young ladies are graduates of CLARKE COLLEGE. Mrs. Ivey is also a graduate of MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE. Mississippi Baptists in general are indebted to both for an important and arduous task well done.

### We're Grateful . . .

To the 200 or so home churches and pastors who have sent us the list of their college students all together totaling, so far, over 1,100. We are passing on their names to the local campus BSU workers where they are enrolled and are writing each a letter urging loyalty to Christ and to His church during college days.

To First Church, Calvary and Northside Churches in Jackson for their concerted efforts to reach the college students of Jackson.

To the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for their 1954-55 recommendations to the Convention that the BSU Department and Campus Allocations be increased some, though not as much as we had hoped. For many evidences that the Student Work in Mississippi is "going" better now than ever before.

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## RUSSIAN BAPTIST HEAD TOURING NORWAY

OSLO (BP) Alexander V. Karev, Moscow, general secretary of the All-Soviet Council of Evangelical Christians (Baptist), is now touring Norway.

Speaking in Oslo, Karev said that church leaders "can speak and work in perfect freedom" in the Soviet Union and that all Baptist churches there are "crowded with people at every service." He also said that there are 3,000,000 Baptists in 5,400 congregations spread all over Russia. (There are actually 512,000 members. The others are those under the influence of the churches, but not actually members. It is very difficult to become a member of a Russian Baptist church. Requirements are very high.)

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Centerfield Church, Bolivar County, has called Rev. Buford Sellers of Carroll County as pastor.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

September 19, 1954

Hattiesburg, Main St. ....	1028	441
Laurel, West .....	430	103
Meridian, 41st Ave. ....	417	124
Laurel, First .....	578	155
Jackson, Crestwood .....	638	437
Jackson, Broadmoor .....	500	186
Jackson, Calvary .....	1624	537
Calvary Mission .....	65	46
Pearl (Rankin) .....	168	128
Jackson, Van Winkle .....	616	288
Van Winkle Mission .....	69	76
Jackson, North Side .....	613	168
Jackson, Alta Woods .....	630	299
Jackson, aniel Memorial .....	703	284
West Jackson .....	333	161
Jackson, Southside .....	405	159
Jackson, First .....	1437	462
Jackson, Ridgecrest .....	286	119
Flowood .....	95	86
Clarksdale, First .....	386	130
Richland (Rankin) .....	175	61
Petal-Harvey .....	370	146
Main .....	351	19
Harvey S. S. ....	19	19
Columbia, First .....	716	243
Main .....	612	192
South Columbia .....	104	51
Fair River (Lincoln) .....	108	71
Hattiesburg, Temple .....	555	184
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave. ....	218	105
Byram (Hinds) .....	180	133
Clarksdale, Riverside .....	223	75
Gulfport, First .....	1003	320
Gulfport, New Hope .....	150	57
Gulfport, Grace Memorial .....	250	35
Bethlehem (Jones) .....	153	129
Ruleville .....	292	115
Clarksdale, Oakhurst .....	518	129
Yazoo City, First .....	451	156
Greenville, Second .....	540	208
Magee .....	438	121
Canton, Center Terrace .....	290	124
Darling .....	98	56
Hardy (Grenada) .....	120	100
Tupelo, Harrisburg .....	853	302
Meridian, Oakland .....	295	121
Pelahatchie .....	184	91
Newton, First .....	513	268
Meridian, Poplar Springs Drive .....	424	181
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven .....	163	74
Laurel, Highland .....	210	95
McComb, Locust .....	187	69
Hernando .....	178	66
Kosciusko, First .....	727	265
Main .....	594	194
Maple St. Mission .....	33	33
Columbus, First .....	1040	363
Concord (Choctaw) .....	118	102
Longview (Oktibbeha) .....	117	97
Soso, First .....	145	76
Grenada, First .....	765	168
Grenada, Emmanuel .....	281	101
Main .....	249	101
Futheyville Chapel .....	32	32
Kreole .....	120	64
Calvary (Amite) .....	55	58
Scobey, Wayside .....	63	63
Beulah (Brownsville) .....	85	84
Mt. Zion (Lincoln) .....	180	106
Brookhaven, Macedonia .....	215	113
Brookhaven, Central .....	123	70
East McComb .....	489	222
New Sight (Lincoln) .....	120	73
Purvis, First .....	239	87
Main .....	223	87
Mission .....	16	16
Sumrall .....	129	46
Stonewall .....	214	155
Lucedale .....	365	155
Morton (Scott) .....	324	127
Main .....	310	127
Mission .....	14	14
Houston, First .....	270	145
Union, First .....	381	153
Pleasant Ridge (Holmes) .....	70	57
Charleston, First .....	387	138
New Albany, First .....	677	123
Mission .....	55	55
Wheeler Grove (Alcorn) .....	137	135
Gulfport, Calvary .....	65	38

## How It Works

### City Church

The new pastor persuaded the church to adopt God's evangelism plan. Instead of depending on the annual revival, pastor and members went afield daily and witnessed. In the 10 years that followed there were not a half-dozen services when converts did not walk the aisles of the church. The church became the largest church in the state. Its services were so popular people had to go early to get even a front seat in the large auditorium. The pastor's sermons were often filled with examples of God's miracles of regeneration through pastor or laymen.

### Open Country

The country church had less than 50 resident members. The first year the membership doubled and the next year it doubled again. Twenty-five were baptized into the fellowship the first year and, about the same number the second year. There were no revival meetings held. The pastor of this church did not get enough salary to own a car, but he walked and hitchhiked over the church territory, doing soul-winning witnessing. Practically all the converts were won in private interviews. The church prospered in all phases of its work and went to full time.

### Town Church

The baptistry had not been used in many months and was filled with broken chairs and other debris. The pastor persuaded this half-time church with less than 50 members to go on full time and to adopt God's evangelism plan. In the first 15 months, 35 were baptized into the fellowship of the church. Practically all were led to Christ through personal witnessing on the part of pastor and laymen. No protracted meetings were necessary because a revival was going on all the time.—Fishers of Men.

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Life is a serious adventure which asks of each his best.

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Christians should so live that when they die their influence for Christ will be missed.

Concorn (Franklin) .....	78	76
Laurel, Wildwood .....	176	77
McComb, Friendship .....	194	92
Vicksburg, First .....	581	205
West Point, Calvary .....	284	149
Marks, First .....	277	68
Columbus, East End .....	271	110
North Oxford .....	194	136
Calhoun City, First .....	369	147
Aberdeen, First .....	402	119
Grenada, First .....	765	168
Greenwood, Calvary .....	462	206
Friendship (Tallahatchie) .....	103	49
Spanish Fort .....	67	42
Cleveland, Immanuel .....	162	103
Glenfield (Union) .....	69	70
Niland Chapel .....	65	47
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes) .....	55	54
Prospect (Lincoln) .....	142	102
Pascagoula, First .....	941	344
Main School .....	774	252
Jackson Ave. Chapel .....	68	40
McArthur Chapel .....	56	40
Orange Grove Chapel .....	51	12

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Cleveland, Immanuel .....	149	109
Lucedale .....	346	153
Meridian, South Side .....	472	104
Wheeler Grove (Alcorn) .....	135	130
Columbus, Southside .....	150	70
Bethlehem (Jones) .....	172	120
Corinth, Tate St. ....	279	93
Greenwood, Calvary .....	427	175
Biloxi, East Howard .....	154	87

## Man Of Distinction

In order that the liquor industry may have facts from both sides in preparing its alluring advertisements of "Men of Distinction" (the liquor ads would have you believe that liquor has something to do with distinction) the following facts are submitted.

A Jackson attorney was recently disbarred from the practice of law because of various charges made against him.

The attorney, who represented himself at the proceedings, pleaded repentance "to any wrong I might have done." And with tears, repeated numerous times that he had "rehabilitated" himself during the past year.

He brought to the stand witnesses who testified that he drank alcohol excessively prior to the contended rehabilitation, but had not indulged since February of this year.

Certainly these facts rate distinction. First, a young man brilliant enough to graduate from Millsaps and the University of Mississippi has been denied the privilege of practicing his chosen profession. Second, he has been charged with failing to pay fines with money given him by his clients. Third, he is a confessed heavy drinker.

If those things do not entitle a person to distinction of a sort, what does?

—BR—

## 1954 SBC ANNUAL OFF THE PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—Regis- new 1954 Southern Baptist Convention Annual edited by Joe W. Burton, secretary of the Convention, is now off the press and has been mailed to all active pastors and denominational agents.

Official Convention procedure states that "The Convention Annual containing reports and actions of the Convention and other pertinent material shall be published as soon as possible after the meeting of the Convention and shall be made available without charge to all active pastors and denominational agents." Others desiring a copy can obtain one for \$2.50 per copy by writing Porter Routh, 127 9th Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn.

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#### Suggestions to Individuals Distributing Bibles

1. That at least one Negro woman go with each individual or team to distribute the Bibles.
2. That a team consist of not more than two White women. When the young people help with distribution, the team to consist of a counselor and two YWA's or two Intermediate GA's.
3. That all Bibles be distributed by one of the two plans recommended above.
4. At the time of presentation the following procedures are suggested:
  - (1) State the reason for the gift.
  - (2) Read the information stamped on the fly leaf.
  - (3) Point out scriptures, setting forth plan of salvation on book mark enclosed in the Bible.
  - (4) Read and present the commitment card to be displayed in the home (this will be enclosed in the Bible).
  - (5) Urge the family to be faithful in church attendance.
  - (6) Pray that the Bible will be used and its message become effective in the lives of the members of this family.

#### ROYAL SERVICE

The Literature Chairman of each Missionary Society should be diligent in seeking to see that each woman has a copy of this magazine. Even more important is to stimulate her to READ it! The first essential to interest in missions is to KNOW something—to be informed—and that is impossible without some reading of missionary literature! Now as the near year begins is a good time to give special emphasis to securing subscriptions.

#### MISSIONARY MAGAZINES

It is even more important that young people have their own magazines and the literature chairman has a big opportunity and responsibility in helping to place these in the hands of your young people—THE WINDOW OF Y. W. A.; TELL; AMBASSADOR LIFE!

#### SUBSCRIPTION WEEK

One literature chairman told of declaring a certain week as SUBSCRIPTION WEEK. In preparation for it the Literature Committee met and listed all the homes in which there were members of WMU and to which homes no missionary magazines were going. These families were divided among the committee and during the week designated, a personal contact was made to each home for the expressed purpose of helping them to know about the magazines and to secure subscriptions to the magazines. A great deal of preparation and publicity was given to this week. It paid off!

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## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

### Ridgecrest, Jackson

While Pastor Fred Tarpley was in Texas assisting in Evangelistic Stewardship Conferences we had the privilege of preaching at one of Jackson's newest churches, Ridgecrest, located on Northside Drive.

A no more enthusiastic and hardworking group of Baptists is to be found anywhere. The growth of this church is remarkable. Only a few months ago they were a mission and worshipping under a tent. Now they have erected a \$67,000 educational plant which is also being utilized as an auditorium. The auditorium will be erected at a later date.

Record readers in Hinds county are now listed as follows: BETHESDA, 47; BROWNVILLE (BEULAH), 57; BOLTON, 31; BYRAM, 83; CHAPEL HILL, 30; CLINTON, 293; EDWARDS, 61; ELRAINE, 81; JACKSON, ALTA WOODS, 277; JACKSON, CALVARY, 1396; JACKSON, DANIEL MEMORIAL, 591; JACKSON, CRESTWOOD, 203; JACKSON, EMMANUEL, 66; JACKSON, FIRST, 1324; JACKSON, GRIFFITH MEMORIAL, 196; JACKSON, NORTHSIDE, 389; JACKSON, PARKWAY, 863; JACKSON, ROBINSON STREET, 109; JACKSON, VAN WINKLE, 360; JACKSON, SOUTHSIDE, 359; JACKSON, WEST, 192; JACKSON, TEMPLE, 34; Learned, 12; JACKSON, RIDGECREST, 139; HILLCREST, 82; MIDWAY, 59; WESTVIEW, 86; Old Byram, 16; PALESTINE, 3; POCAHONTAS, 26; RAYMOND, 121; SALEM, 41; FOREST HILL, 73; TERRY, 117; UTICA, 90; NEW HAVEN, 23; CALVARY MISSION, 57; JACKSON, HIGHLAND, 85; JACKSON, BROADMOOR, 184; Jackson, Van Winkle Mission, 18.

### Immanuel Is No. 1098

One of the latest additions to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record is the Immanuel Church in Bolivar County. This is a recently organized church in Cleveland. The pastor is Dr. William Harry Clark.

Record readers in Bolivar County are now listed as follows: BENOIT, 63; BOYLE, 108; CENTERFIELD, 33; CLEVELAND, FIRST, 316; DUNCAN, 57; GUNNISON, 42; INTERSTATE, 40; MERIGOLD, 63; MORRISON CHAPEL, 100; NISLAND CHAPEL, 24; PACE, 38; PROVIDENCE, 52; ROSEDALE, 68; SHELBY, 106; SKENE, 63; Sunnyside, 18; WAXHAW, 37; CALVARY, 158; EVERITT CHAPEL, 21; IMMANUEL, 69.

### Byhalia

Byhalia Church continues to make progress under the leadership of Pastor M. C. Whitten.

Plans have been made for a new Sunday School annex, the number of tithers has doubled in the last 12 months and the percentage going to the Cooperative Program has been increased. The church treasurer reports that they have given more to the Cooperative Program this past year than ever before.

All arrangements have been made for cooperating in the Stew-

## Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### First Report Received on "September is Church Music Month"

First Church, Greenwood has the distinction of sending the first report to the Music Department as September is Church Music Month in the Church. Mrs. R. A. Heritage is Minister of Music and Rev. J. A. Kyzar is pastor.

The bulletin dated September 5, carries a complete schedule of activities for the month and some of these activities are listed below. Church Music Emphasis Week was observed. Choir Enrollment week was September 5-12. On September 5, a concert was given on familiar church music. A report of the financial status of the department was given. The motto for the week was as follows: "When churches sing they grow".

The Music Department is sponsoring the following choirs and en-

sembles. Celestial choir, ages 4 and 5. Cherub choir No. 1, ages 6 and 7. Cherub choir No. 2, age 8. Carol choir No. 1, ages 9 and 10. Carol Choir No. 2, ages 11 and 12. Concord ensemble, ages 13-17. String, Woodwind, and Brass ensembles. The regular church choir. Ladies chorus.

It may not be possible for every church to have all of the units listed above but every church could have some of the units. Any church with at least two choirs could be classified with a Church Music Department, provided the department is established by a vote of the church in conference. This first report is given with the hope of inspiring other groups to observe "September is Church Music Month" and to make a report to the State Church Music Department.

### ROCKY SPRINGS, YAZOO, DEDICATES BUILDING



Shown above is a partial view of the new Rocky Springs Church in Yazoo County. It replaces the old building that had been in use about 100 years.

The new debt-free structure was begun the first of July and was dedicated August 8, with Rev. Lee Galman preaching the dedication sermon. Rev. J. W. Maddox and Rev. Robert I. Martin, former pastors, were present.

Rev. E. C. Wheeler has been pastor for more than two years. The church has adopted the Unified Budget giving 16 2-3 per cent of its contributions to the Cooperative Program.

—BR—

Sam L. Raborn, a famous old time evangelistic singer, died recently in Waco, Tex., at the age of 81.

—BR—

The greatest peacemakers on earth are those who get lost individuals to make peace with God.

ardship Revival in October.

Record readers in Marshall county are now listed as follows: BYHALIA, 56; CORNERSVILLE, 34; HOLLY SPRINGS, 204; POTTS CAMP, 58; RED BANKS, 39; SLAYDEN, 58; Spring Hill, 6.

#### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- September 27 — James L. Clark, Clarke College faculty; Rev. Fay Rogers, Pontotoc Associational Missionary.
- September 28 — Thomas Gentry, Prentiss Associational Training Union Director; Dr. William P. Davis, Madison Associational Chairman of Evangelism.
- September 29 — Mrs. J. H. Williams, Carroll Associational W. M. U. Superintendent; Claude Smith, Franklin Associational Brotherhood President.
- September 30 — Dr. J. R. Hitt, Professor Emeritus, Mississippi College; Obra Quave, BSU President, Perkinson Junior College.
- October 1 — Marian Leavell, BSU Director, Ole Miss; J. A. Johnston, Jefferson Davis Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
- October 2 — Dr. Frank Davis, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; H. M. Harris, Board of Ministerial Education.
- October 3 — Sam L. Jones, Social Service Commission; Bruce Aultman, Trustee, William Carey College.

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## Sunday School Lesson

BY DR. L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

For September 26.

### LIVING WITNESSES

Bible Texts: Matthew 5:13-16; John 1:40-42; Acts 4:13-20; 8:4-8, 26-40; II Corinthians 5:11-20; I Peter 3:13-16.

The material which our committee has given us for this lesson is abundant and very rich. I can not hope to cover it all in any adequate way. I, therefore choose to begin with the selection from the Sermon on the Mount, a passage near the beginning of the sermon, following immediately upon the list of the Beatitudes.

### I. AUDACITY

Audacity of the statement which assigns the disciples their place in the Kingdom. I hesitate a long while before using the word "audacity" as describing any act of our Lord, yet I feel that it is the only word which can be used to describe the holy boldness of our Lord in these words in which he declared to His disciples His utter confidence in them as builders of His Kingdom.

Look at the roster of this first company, will you? They were His disciples, mark you that. This whole discourse was directed especially to them. "When He had sat down, His disciples came unto Him: and He opened His mouth and taught them." Taught Whom? His disciples, of course. And what did He say to them in this passage? "Ye are the salt of the earth. . . . Ye are the light of the world." To whom was He talking? His disciples. And who were they? A small group of rude and callow youngsters who had grown up for the most part around an inland lake and who all their lives, had been mainly concerned with catching fish. Perhaps they had not much more than got the smell of fish off their persons.

Not one of them had ever been to Rome, to Alexandria, even to Antioch of Syria. In the eyes of the Jewish teachers of their day, the disciples were ignorant and unlearned men. Not one of them had ever so much as entered the rabbinical school in Jerusalem. Not one of them was of the wise or the wealthy of the people. Politically they were insignificant: they had no politically powerful friends anywhere, no political pull in their native district or beyond, it. In spite of all these apparent disqualifications for any task which involved such consequences as the alteration of the lives, the religion, the customs, the social sanctions of a people, read the words in which the Lord assigned them their proper place in the movement which He came to set up and which He intended should revolutionize the world.

"Ye are the salt of the earth." Let us begin by saying that. He began by telling them that, though they were in the world, they were not of it. They were distinct and different from the world of men about them, of a better order, a superior breed. They were to the world of men about them as salt is to the fresh meat which will undoubtedly petrify unless the preservative salt is applied to it. The

flesh to be preserved is one thing; the salt which preserves it is another thing, and the two are different.

The flesh is worthwhile being preserved and the salt may profitably be used in preserving it. Be reminded again that the salt will preserve the flesh, if only it be rightly applied. Now apply the figure to human conditions, and the Lord is saying that the world can be saved by the faithful application of the saving quality in the disciples, provided that saving quality be rightly and faithfully applied. Oh, my impatient brother, can I not hear you say: "What! You want me to believe that all the world can be saved by the preaching of the gospel?" No! No! No! Dear brother. I am not trying to get you to believe anything! But I would win you to let our Lord say what He is saying, and He is saying "Ye are the salt of the earth!" Let Him say it, please. Salt will save the flesh to which it is rightly applied. The gospel of the blessed Son of God will save the men to whom it is faithfully preached.

But the salt has to be applied. You do not bring a sack of salt of a hundred weight and set it in one corner of the smokehouse and hang the hams and "sides" of meat in the middle of the house or on the other side of it and expect the salt to do any good. The salt must be applied to the hams and sides of bacon, to the spare ribs and jowls before it can exert its virtue. But the Lord of the manor, the owner of the smokehouse applies the salt to the fresh meat. I venture the assertion that I have told you in the score of years during which I have been preparing these notes that you can't make these illustrations of our Lord go on all-fours. There are, or may be, points at which they do not touch. But, all right! There is the Lord of the whole world here and He wants to apply the salt, but the difficulty is that the salt which He has provided for the salvation of His who are in the world He has endowed with a power to say "No!" to Him. But and if the men whom He designates as salt, will be pliant and obedient in His lordly hand and subject to His imperial will, he will apply them when and where they are needed.

"Ye are the light of the world." What's that for? To shine away the darkness. This world of men is lost in the darkness. The densest sort of darkness, the darkness of sin. What will dispel this darkness? The light of the world. Here arises the difference again. Did you ever see any light that could withhold itself from shining? But here is a sort that can. But when this light in any case allows the light-keeper to set its flaming torch upon a hill, it shines all about it.

### II. ALTERNATE CONSEQUENCES

The definite implication of these words are that the world itself is corrupt and corrupting, that Christians as they live here among men, are designed and expected by Him who called them out of death into life and transformed them from the mass that putrefies itself unto more disgusting degrees and in turn purifies all about it into the saving element that retards and prevents further putrefaction of that which it vitally touches and

## Pine Hill (Clarke Co.) Dedicates New Building



The Pine Hill Church, Clarke County, recently completed and dedicated a new building.

The pastor, Rev. H. L. Kinnon, Jr., was master of ceremonies, with former pastors, Rev. Paul Kirke, Gautier, and Rev. George Horne, Prentiss, bringing messages. All former pastors were recognized.

Lunch was served on the grounds.

## G. W. SMITH ORDAINED

G. W. Smith was ordained Sunday afternoon, Sept. 12, to the full gospel ministry by the Calvary Church in Lincoln county.

The charge to the candidate was brought by Rev. Charles Case, and the charge to the church by Rev. W. J. Hughes.

Rev. Gordon Shamburger delivered the message. The Bible was presented by Rev. Holmes Carlisle, the pastor. Mr. Smith has served in his home church as a deacon and Sunday school superintendent. He has accepted the call to the Mt. Morgan Church at Terry. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are both students at Miss. College.

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## Horn Lake Holds Revival

Horn Lake Church has just completed a revival meeting. Rev. Carl J. Duck, Morton, was the evangelist and Pastor B. F. McIlwain led the singing.

There was a total of 23 decisions during the week, fourteen additions to the church and nine rededications. On the last Sunday of the meeting all attendance records were broken with 239 in Sunday School and 127 in Training Union.

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Our days are identical—all the same size, but some people pack more into them than others.

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Many people desire a faith as big as a mountain to move a mustard seed.

penetrates. A charge to keep has every man and woman whom the transmuting grace of God has made into an agent for the salvation of the world and that charge is binding as the law of gravity upon every soul that claims salvation in the Lord.

But there is the baneful consequence of the alternative action. Suppose the Christian so lives that his life does not bear the gracious fruit of other lives brought into the light, saved out of the rotting mass of human corruption and sin. Salt that, if the day of the Lord became, as the salt of that day sometimes did, damp and useless and of no account, it was thrown into the street and trodden underfoot of man and beast. And the lamp that did not shine was put under a bushel measure, had a tub turned over it so it could not shine. "But that sounds like 'falling from grace'". Does it now? Well, do tell! Tell you what you do, little lump of salt. You do what a good little lump ought to do. Let the hand of the Master apply you where you will do some good.

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## Foreign Mission Appointee Urges State Baptists To Reach Co-Op Goal

Rev. Elton Moore, pastor of Oak Grove Church, Bonita, who has been appointed as a missionary along with Mrs. Moore upon the eve of their departure urge Mississippi Baptists to rally and reach our Cooperative Program goal of \$1,500,000 this year.

The Rev. and Mrs. Moore will sail soon for Indonesia, and like all other foreign missionaries, are giving up the comforts and conveniences of home. They are offering their lives.

Considering the great need of foreign missions, as it is being supported by the Cooperative Program, they challenge Mississippi Baptists to match their dollars with their lives.

Fifty cents of every dollar contributed to the Cooperative Program in Division Five, the Division beginning at \$1,400,000 will go to foreign missions because of the Southern Baptist advance budget which will be in operation at the time.

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## Why I Don't

By B. J. Murrie,  
Editor, Illinois Baptist

"Do you ever send an offering to Charles B. Fuller's 'Old Fashion Revival Hour'?" was asked me by a friend.

"No," was my reply.

"Why don't you? Does he not preach the gospel?" was the second question of my friend.

My answer ran something like this: No doubt Fuller's broadcast does some good. Many people listen to it. But it is a half-baked gospel. It is good as far as it goes. I have never heard him say a word about his converts being baptized and joining a church and going to work for the Lord. Initial salvation is not all there is to Christian experience. I have never heard him suggest that anybody ought to join a church and get busy for the Lord. He completely ignores the teaching of Baptism, the Lord's Supper, the doctrine of the church as revealed in the New Testament. At the same time he makes his living and supports his religious broadcasts off church members. He does not have a church of his own and those who stand up and profess faith in his services, as broadcast on the air, are never invited to follow Christ in baptism and church membership.

In all the years I have never heard, and I know a number of other editors also who have never heard of a single convert of the Old Fashion Revival Hour, to ever join a church of any kind. There may be some. Any religious program which lives off churches and gives no support to any is a parasite. I've always had an aversion to parasites. That aversion started when I got my first bath of chiggers when a small boy in a berry patch.

In the next place, aside from being only half supporting to the New Testament program of Christian experience, I do not give to the Old Fashion Revival Hour because I believe the New Testament

## CONVERT FROM INDIA IS NEW ASS'T PASTOR



RUSTAM ZAL

Rustam Zal, a Christian convert from India, was recently elected Assistant Pastor of the Irene Chapel Church in Lebanon Association.

Mr. Zal was formerly a member of the Parsis, followers of the prophet, Zarathustra. He became a Christian through correspondence with a Christian businessman in America.

At the time of his conversion he was a professor of English Literature at Morris College, Nagpur, India. His uncle is President of Central India, and his cousin is Chief High Priest of the Parsis. When he became a Christian he gave up his inheritance, and his mother and sister who live in India, and chose to follow the Lowly Nazarene.

Mr. Zal at present is teaching and taking courses at William Carey College in Hattiesburg. He is married to an American, and they have a small son, Richard Elvin Zal.

teaches me to bring my tithes and offerings into my church. I cannot follow the New Testament and send my tithes to this broadcast. I cannot get the consent of my mind to take money that belongs to the Lord and use it to further one individual's program who does not preach the whole New Testament. He is building up himself. His voice is beginning to break. His years are numbered. Who will take over this one-man denomination when he has to quit? Thus, I am forced back to the New Testament principle that a church is the method Christ chose to propagate His gospel.

The broadcast does not promote a fellowship of believers. Fellowship of believers in a church is basic in the teaching of the New Testament and a vital part of Christian experience. I cannot support any program which does not provide nor support this basic human need.

I don't give to this program because I have a denominational loyalty. Any person who doesn't have a denominational loyalty isn't worth much to his church regardless of what denomination to which he may belong. I'd be a cheapskate if I didn't have a denominational

## BROADMOOR, JACKSON IN HARVEST REVIVAL

Broadmoor Church, Jackson, is engaged in a Harvest revival, with the pastor, Rev. L. G. Sansing, doing the preaching.

Earl McLeod, Mississippi College, is leading the singing. The revival will close September 26 and the week following the men of the church will contact the members in the interest of a \$125,000 Building Fund.

During the next three years the church hopes to raise the above amount to be used on additional buildings.

The first unit of the additional space will be started within a few weeks to be completed in 90 days.

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A banker in Pittsburgh knew a lady who was painfully injured in a freak accident on the way to a church service. And his whole faith went into a tail-spin. He called in any number of clergymen—which shows he was desperate—to challenge them with this and ask them how they could take seriously a religion that couldn't even guarantee a person's safety on the way to church! In all kindness, and with all deference to his sincerity, I wonder where that man has been? I wonder what Bible he has read? Could it possibly have been this Book with its complete cataloguing, not of ease, but of trouble faced triumphantly? It is when we are ready to open our eyes, somehow, to that sterner view of life, ready to chant praise that chains can't daunt, to sing songs that darkness can't blanket—it is then that Christ can answer. For He knows we were meant, somehow, for "whatever it is that comes up out of the soil of effort, out of the bitter but creative moral struggle, out of the throb and hurt of sacrifice, out of the deep tensions of forgiveness and hope and an undiscourageable will." From THE SALTY TANG by Frederick B. Speakman (Fleming H. Revell Company).

loyalty. It furnished me a church in which I was baptized, and had my first training in the BYPU.

It furnished a denominational college which I attended at a reduced cost provided for by other sacrificial Baptists. It also furnished a seminary where I spent nearly four years on the same basis. It has furnished me a church in which I preached and many churches where I have served as a religious editor. It has furnished me literature since a boy. It has provided means and a program where I can join with some 8,000,000 other Baptists in a convention-wide fellowship to preach the gospel around the world. It has also provided a larger Baptist fellowship in the Baptist World Alliance. Any person who has all these things provided for him by others who love the Lord ought to appreciate his denomination enough to support it, rather than putting his tithes in a one-man program that does not provide the blessings which his denomination does, nor preaches all it believes.

Each of you may do as you please about supporting this program; as for me, I am not going to support this one-man program of Fuller's.

## Leaves Meridian; Goes To Moss Point



MR. GEORGE VAN EGMOND

Mr. George Van Egmond, for seven years Minister of Music at the Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, has resigned to enter the New Orleans Seminary. While attending the Seminary, Mr. Van Egmond will serve as Minister of Music and Education at the First Church, Moss Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Egmond and three children, moved to Moss Point September 1 to assume their duties there.

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## Nigeria Needs You Now!

Are you a qualified teacher? Are you a registered nurse? Read this excerpt from a letter which has just arrived at the offices of the Foreign Mission Board from Miss Marjorie Stephen.

"One of the most interesting reports during the annual mission meeting in Nigeria each year is that of the locations committee. Such was the case in the recent meeting held in Ogbomoso.

"With six couples and three single women to be located, and with four hospitals, three dispensaries, and a children's home in need of medical staff, and five schools in need of teachers, besides numerous areas ready to be opened for mission work, it is not difficult to see that for many, many requests the report read, 'We regret there is no one to send at this time.'

"As we sat and thought of our many friends at home—doctors, nurses, teachers, and others who are so well trained and so capable of doing the work that needs to be done here—how we wished that you might have been sitting with us and heard the pleas for someone to fill the needs. I am sure if you had been with us for just that one session and had felt the presence of God as we felt it, you would be compelled to say, 'Here am I, Lord, send me.'

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## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

J. L. Boyd, Sr.

50 YEARS AGO

"The visible results of our meeting, twenty accessions to the church and money raised to build a parsonage," writes "A Member," of the Union Baptist Church, Franklin County. Pastor Homer H. Webb did the preaching.

In his "College Tidings," President W. T. Lowrey says, "We are strictly on the move: 276 students are in" (at Mississippi College). Twenty ahead of the same time the previous year.

40 YEARS AGO

In the midst of a gracious revival at Gillsburg, Amite County, Rev. G. S. Dobbins of Gloster who was assisting Pastor B. A. McCullough, was stricken with appendicitis. The meeting was continued, however, resulting in 31 additions, 27 for baptism.

25 YEARS AGO

There were 10 accessions by baptism to the Standing Pine Church, Leake County, during a meeting of days in which Rev. Joe Canzoneri assisted Pastor A. M. Barnett, his father-in-law.

Pastor W. E. Farr of First Church, Grenada, preached in the meeting of the Elliott Baptist Church, Grenada County, during which 57 persons joined the church, most of them by baptism. He is pastor of this church also.

The Richmond Church, Lee County, closed a meeting of days with twelve accessions, nine of them for baptism. Rev. C. O. Estes did the preaching, this being his boy-hood church, and this meeting being the thirty-third he had assisted them in either as a singer or to do the preaching. (The retiring pastor, Rev. M. E. Haddon, was honored in one service on his leaving for another field.)

"What lack I yet?" A rich young ruler asked Christ this question. Many people today echo it in a sincere but confused search for the true spiritual life. Materialistic doctrines and even perversions of the true Christian faith enslave people in spiritual bondage even though they may enjoy political and other types of freedom. In TO MAKE MEN FREE, in ten short chapters, the author Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, President of Georgetown College, outlines the essential New Testament teaching which, if used rightly, can serve TO MAKE MEN FREE, truly free." (Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee \$1.57). Dr. Eddleman is a native of Mississippi and a graduate of Mississippi College, with Th. M. and Ph. D. degrees from Southern Seminary. He has served as pastor, professor, and missionary to Palestine. He is a popular speaker.

mer S. West, Jr., personnel secretary, Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.



**DR. STORER WAS RIGHT**

By DR. STERLING L. PRICE

There has been a varied reaction over our Convention to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Saint Louis when we voted to assist churches in Canada in education and promotion work. I am happy to note that in all the discussion there is a fine spirit even though there is a very decided difference of opinion.

Some are saying that no invasion of Canada was planned in the action taken by the Convention; however, it is my candid conviction that whether we intended to "invade" Canada or not, that is exactly what we did at the Convention in Saint Louis. I am as zealous to see that the Lord's great commission is carried out as any of my brethren, but I believe we did a grave injustice and lent our support to any schism that may exist in the family of the Canadian Baptists.

In North Carolina recently we have seen an example of what a preacher can do when he seeks to align his church with a "foreign" Baptist group. We have repudiated him from all directions because he sought to lead a church that had been a cooperating church out of the fold of Southern Baptists. I am wondering if the Canadian Baptists do not think their ministers who have left their fold to seek fellowship and assistance from us are not doing the same thing in Canada as the good brother did in North Carolina.

I do not see that it is advancing the Lord's kingdom in a profitable way by dividing a happy fellowship of the Canadian Baptists. Undoubtedly we have some things they need and I do not for one moment doubt the wisdom of going around the world with the gospel of Christ and the program of Southern Baptists, but there is a time and place and manner in which to do all things. I will hasten to admit that the world needs spiritual leadership but you do not provide spiritual leadership by dividing spiritual brethren.

It is my conviction that Dr. R. E. Milam was wrong and that Dr. J. W. Storer, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, was exactly within the domain of his right when he "based his ruling upon the assumption that granting the request for aid from churches in Canada would violate the letter if not the spirit of the Constitution."

I do not say that Dr. Milam was wrong in heart; I say that he was wrong in procedure. We all will admit that Dr. Milam is a compassionate spirit and is doing a monumental work for our Lord in the Northwest; however, I am embarrassed when I realize that this great injustice has been done our Canadian brethren without first discussing it with them on those levels of leadership where both groups could properly express themselves and make their wishes and desires known.

One of our fine editors has written, "Is it not a fact that both the Home Mission Board and the Sunday School Board have sent special workers to Cuba and even into South America in recent months? Was that an invasion?"

**Wellman Revivalist**

REV. W. R. STORIE

Rev. W. R. Storie, pastor First Church, Ocean Springs, will be the evangelist for revival services at Wellman Church in Lincoln County beginning Oct. 3. Rev. W. L. Thompson is the pastor.

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**Seminary Has Dedication And Homecoming Day**

The Seminary Church, Rev. Byron Mathis, pastor, had homecoming day and celebrated the completion of, and entrance into their new building on Sept. 19.

The offering totaled more than six dollars per member and will soon pass the \$2,000 mark. There are 308 members.

Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, director of evangelism, was guest preacher.

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Are you like Marblehead? Wondering who, why, what you are? Marblehead's search for the meaning of life and for the truth about God is vividly portrayed in a series of black and white sketches in a book called **MARBLEHEAD** by Bill Brinkley (Fleming H. Revell Company, Westwood, New Jersey). When finally Marblehead climbed the hill of doubt, he still found a great chasm between himself and God. He was alone and disillusioned until he found that more than nineteen hundred years ago that chasm was bridged by a cross, the cross of Calvary where Jesus died for the sins of all men. Marblehead's life was just beginning! Order the book from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

Perish the thought! I do not see any connection between our invasion in Canada, and the work in South America. Our work in South America is a Southern Baptist work and has been from the beginning. The work in Canada is a Canadian Baptist work and has been from the beginning. When we go into South America we "invade" ourselves; when we went into Canada we "invaded" others.

Let us hasten to evangelize the needy fields of the Northwest and the Great Lakes area and put our very best thinking into winning these great areas to our Lord's kingdom. However, in seeking for a comprehensive and aggressive plan for evangelizing the West, "we ought to face these problems with a balanced measure of sanity and enthusiasm."

**Laurel Highland Has Anniversary Observance**

On Sunday, Sept. 5 the Highland Church in Laurel observed its fourth anniversary as an organized church. There have been over 115 people to accept Christ as Saviour and over 300 to unite by letter.

A new building has been built and a brick pastor's home purchased. There are now four choirs actively participating in the services of the church. Rev. James Hurt is the pastor.

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**EUROPEAN BAPTISTS FORM MISSION SOCIETY**

HAMBURG, Germany (RNS)—Formation of a European Baptist Missionary Society was announced at a conference of German Baptists here.

The new society, which will open its first field in the French Cameroons, West Africa is sponsored by the Baptist Churches of Germany, Austria, France, and Switzerland. Other Baptist groups are expected to join the enterprise later.

The five-day meeting here, presided over by Dr. Jakob Meister of Berlin, head of the denomination in Germany, was attended by more than 5,000 Baptists from East and West Germany, as well as several Baptist leaders from other European countries.

During the conference, Dr. Meister expressed gratitude to American co-religionists for their generous help to Europe.

There are about 100,000 active Baptists in Germany, of whom about 35,000 live in the Soviet Zone. They maintain several deaconesses' and youth homes, a Bible school, and a printing shop.

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**Bradfordville Parents Stage School Strike**

Bradfordville, Ky. —(RNS)—Parents here have forced the closing down of Bradfordville elementary school in the latest development of a controversy involving the right of garbed nuns to teach in Kentucky public schools.

The strike was called when the Marion County School Board, at the opening of the current school year, closed the Bradfordville High School and directed its 77 pupils to attend one at Lebanon, 10 miles away.

Bradfordville citizens contend that the school board has "discriminated" against their high school while favoring St. Charles High School in a predominantly Roman Catholic section of the county. All but two of the teachers in St. Charles are nuns. Bradfordville is predominantly Protestant.

Daily demonstrations have been held in front of the high school building here with banners, speeches and prayers. Parents have refused to let their high-school age children board buses to the Lebanon school. A spokesman for the parents said they plan to seek court action to force the Marion board to reopen the high school.

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Every doctrine has its corresponding duty—and every duty well performed is evidence of sound doctrine.

**1955 Ridgecrest, Glorieta Schedule****RIDGECREST**

June 1-8 Home Mission Board Conference Relief and Annuity Board Conference.

9-15 Southern Baptist Student Retreat.

16-22 Young Woman's Auxiliary Camp.

23-29 Woman's Missionary Union Conference Business Woman's Circles.

June 30-July 6 Foreign Mission Board Conference Baptist Brotherhood Conference Writers' Conference.

July 7-13 Ridgecrest Bible Conference School for Church Librarians Audio-Visual Aids Workshop Leadership Conference on Christian Recreation, The Christian Life Conference, Radio and TV Conference, Southern Baptist Historical Commission Conference.

July 14-20 Southern Baptist Church Music Conference.

July 21-27)

July 28-Aug. 3) Southern Baptist Training Union Leadership Assembly.

Aug. 4-Aug. 10)

Aug. 11-17)

Aug. 18-24) Southern Baptist Sunday School Conference.

Aug. 25-31)

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**Baptists Soon To Open Medical Work In Indonesia**

After more than a year of negotiating with the Indonesian Ministry of Health authorities and other officials, permission has been granted to Southern Baptists to open and develop medical work in the city of Kediri in the eastern part of the island of Java.

Kediri, with a population of about 185,000, is located in the center of the Kediri District of approximately 3,500,000 people. The entire district has only seven qualified doctors with one small government hospital of about 40 beds. There are no qualified nurses.

Southern Baptist missionaries in Indonesia are busy with plans for the purchase of property and the actual beginning of the medical work. Papers were to have been signed August 31 for the purchase of a lot with two separate houses. One of the houses will be used for a polyclinic, which is expected to open about January 1, and the other will be used as living quarters for the two nurses, Miss Ruth Ford and Miss Everley Hayes, and for the doctor, Miss Katherine Jones, until missionary residences can be built in connection with the hospital yet to be erected.

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Never waste time reflecting on opportunities you have missed; in doing so you might miss new opportunities.

YOUNG PIANISTS, (75 cents); CHILD'S BOOK OF HYMNS FOR PIANO (75 cents). Order should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher.



Christmas will soon be here and many churches are beginning to think about Christmas programs.

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